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Mr. Lee Gochnour Gochnour & Associates, Inc. 5231 South Quebec Greenwood Village, Colorado 80111

Re: Reduction of Reclamation Surety for 1999 Exploratory Drilling Project, Plan of Operations

UTU-72499 (amendment), San Juan County, Utah. UDOGM file # M/037/088.

Dear Mr. Gochnour:

On January 20, 2000, Sal Venticinque of my staff was present during a field inspection conducted for the purpose of verifying ground surface reclamation that was performed in order to justify the above-referenced surety reduction. Also present during the inspection were, in addition to yourself: Bob Prescott and Chuck Bauer of Summo USA Corporation, Will Stokes of SITLA, and Tony Gallegos of UDOGM.

Based on this inspection as well as a previous field inspection conducted by Mr. Bauer and Mr. Venticinque, our office recommends that UDOGM release that portion of the 1999 exploration project reclamation surety (\$7,166.00) related to hole plugging and earthwork; we also recommend that UDOGM retain that portion of this amount needed to help ensure revegetation success. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Venticinque at this office, (435) 259-2141.

Sincerely,

Assistant Field Manager Division of Resources

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